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SJ.R. No. 25

SENATE & JOINT RESOLUTION

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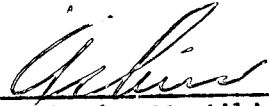
Austin, Texas

April 2 \_\_\_\_\_, 19 73 \_\_\_\_\_

Honorable William P. Hobby  
President of the Senate

Sir:

We, your Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ Finance \_\_\_\_\_  
to which was referred S.J.R.~~X~~ No. 25, have had the same  
under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to  
the Senate with the recommendation that it do \_\_\_\_\_  
pass \_\_\_\_\_ and be \_\_\_\_\_ printed.

  
Chairman (A. M. Aikin, Jr.)

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Engrossing Clerk

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By: Traeger

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## Committee on Natural Resources

## BILL ANALYSIS

Background Information:

Article VIII, Section 2 of the Texas Constitution provides that the Legislature may provide for exemptions from property taxes. Included within the possible exemptions are church property, burial property, and school property. It is believed that non-profit water supply corporations and cooperatives serve a public purpose and that their property should also be exempt from property taxes.

What This Bill Proposes To Do:

S. J. R. No. 25 would submit a constitutional amendment to the Texas electorate which, if adopted, would permit the Legislature by passage of a general law, to exempt the property of non-profit water supply corporations and non-profit water cooperatives when such property is reasonably necessary for and used in the operation of the corporation or cooperative in the acquisition, storage, transportation, sale and distribution of water.

Section by Section Analysis:

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Section 2. Submits the proposition to the voters on general election day of 1973.

Summary of Committee Action:

Notice having been posted on May 3, 1973, the Committee on Natural Resources considered SJR 25 at its May 9, 1973 committee meeting. It was moved and seconded that SJR 25 be reported back to the House as amended. The motion was adopted with the following vote: 6 Ayes, 3 Present Not Voting, and 4 Nays. This bill proposes new law by adding a new Section 2C to existing Article VIII of the Texas Constitution.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE

April 2, 1973

Honorable A. M. Aikin, Jr.  
Texas Senate  
Capitol Building, Room 321  
Austin, Texas 78701

In Re: S. J. R. No. 25  
By: Traeger

Sir:

In response to your request and pursuant to Senate Rule 94, Subsection (g), this office finds the fiscal implications of S.J.R. No. 25 (proposing an amendment to the Texas Constitution by adding a Section 2C authorizing the legislature to exempt certain water supply corporations and cooperatives from the property tax on certain facilities) to be as follows:

The cost of submitting the Constitutional Amendment proposed by S.J.R. No. 25 is estimated at \$9,000 in fiscal 1975.



Thomas M. Keel  
Legislative Budget Director

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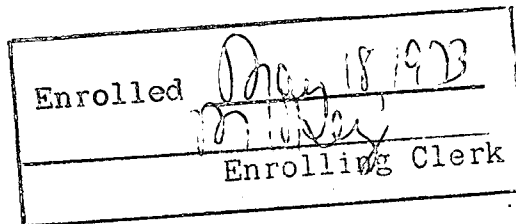
Amend S.J.R. No 25  
by striking "1974" on line  
18 and insert in lieu thereof  
"1973"

MAY 16 1973

DATE

READ AND ADOPTED #1

Joseph H. Holloman  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives



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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.J.R. No. 25 was adopted by the senate on April 13, 1973, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 1; May 18, 1973, senate concurred in house amendments by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.J.R. No. 25 was adopted by the house, with amendments, on May 16, 1973, by the following vote: Yeas 100, Nays 38, one present not voting.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor



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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

6-11-73

Date

Signed

Governor

to be voted on  
Nov. 6, 1973

RECEIVED  
8:30 AM  
JUN 13 1973  
Secretary of State

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By Inaeger

AN ACT proposing an amendment to Article VIII of the Texas Constitution by adding a Section 2C authorizing the legislature to exempt certain water supply corporations and cooperatives from the property tax on certain facilities.

3-6-73

Filed with the Secretary of the Senate

MAR 7 1973

Read, referred to Committee on FINANCE

APR 3 1973

Reported favorably.

Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time.

Ordered not printed.

APR 13 1973

Senate and Constitutional Rules to permit consideration suspended by  
unanimous consent.

To permit consideration, reading and passage, Senate and Constitutional Rules suspended by vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

APR 13 1973

Read second time and { ordered engrossed.  
~~passed without amendment.~~

Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.

APR 13 1973

Senate and Constitutional 3-Day Rules suspended by vote of  
25 yeas, 1 nays to place bill on third reading and final passage.

APR 13 1973

Read third time and passed by {  
25 yeas, 1 nays.

OTHER ACTION:

Charles Schnabel

Secretary of the Senate

APR 13 1973

Engrossed

APR 26 1973

Sent to HOUSE

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ENGROSSING CLERK

APR 16 1973

Received from  
the Senate

Dorothy Hallman  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

APR 17 1973

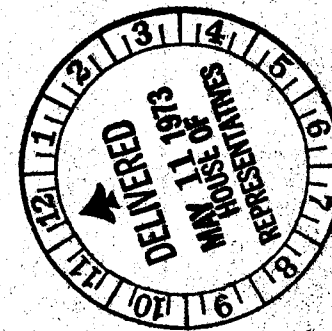
READ FIRST TIME  
AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

Natural Resources

Dorothy Hallman  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

MAY 10 1973

REPORTED FAVORABLY SENT TO PRINTER AS AMENDED



PRINTED, DISTRIBUTED AND

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

CALENDARS 11:45 A.M. (Time)

MAY 11 1973 (Date)

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NR 25

DATE MAY 16 1973

READ AND ADOPTED

*amended & record vote of 100 ayes  
38 noes  
1 present &  
not voting*

*Joseph Hallman*

Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

MAY 16 1973

**RETURNED** MAY 16 1973

**FROM HOUSE** as

*amended*

MAY 17 1973

Senate concurred in House amendments by viva voce vote.

MAY 18 1973 *Motion to reconsider  
vote in concurring to House  
amendments by viva voce  
vote.*

MAY 18 1973

Senate concurred in House amendments by the following vote: 29  
yeas, 1 nays.